

# Tiny Tot Newsletter

*Tiny Tots in Tiaras and Tuxedos*



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Hello!

Welcome to ***Tiny Tots in Tiaras and Tuxedos*** Newsletter! I promise to only send occasional updates, just enough to keep you in the loop without cluttering your inbox.

Be sure to follow our new Instagram account **@TinyTotBook** to see exclusive photos from Tiny Tot' memorable events, catch up with former students, and get the latest on new blog posts and the upcoming book.

**What's Inside This Issue:**

- Francene's Latest Blog Post
- New "Then & Now" Tiny Tot Alum **Lori Prentiss Dade**
- ***Tiny Tots in Tiaras and Tuxedos*** Update

Please share our newsletter with anyone interested in the Tiny Tot story, upcoming book or news.

**Thank you so much for your support!** 🥰

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## Latest News on *Tiny Tots in Tiaras and Tuxedos*

I'm eagerly counting down to the Fall 2025 launch of ***Tiny Tots in Tiaras and Tuxedos***!

Last month, my manuscript went through copyediting—polishing grammar, spelling, clarity, and flow. Now it's in the formatting stage, where details like fonts, photo placement, margins, and front matter (foreword, preface, table of contents, etc.) are being finalized. At the same time, the finishing touches are being added to the front and back covers.

Once that's done, the spine will be sized to match the exact page count—the final step before heading to print!

I'll admit, I once thought finishing the book was the hardest part. Turns out, the publishing process is far more involved (and longer!) than I imagined.

The good news?

**Pre-orders should be opening in early October!**

*I can't wait to share ***Tiny Tots in Tiaras and Tuxedos*** with you soon!*

## New on Francene's Blog 🍰

**POV: You find your parents' old love letters hidden in an attic...**

That's what happened to me. Inside a dusty suitcase, I uncovered letters between my parents, Kermit & Augustus Hill—revealing a powerful story of love + resilience in the Jim Crow era. That secret became the inspiration for my new book, ***Tiny Tots in Tiaras and Tuxedos*** (coming Fall 2025).

See Full story [francene-hill.com/francen-es-blog](https://francene-hill.com/francen-es-blog)



## Meet Lori Prentiss Dade

Our latest Tiny Tot School alum featured in "Then and Now." Lori performed "Push Me Pull Me" in Tiny Tot's Royal Coronation in the 1970s. For Lori, Tiny Tot felt like family—a place where she felt safe, enjoyed lots of activities, and was always eager to go. She recalls, "Mrs. Hill would give us hugs and kisses."

Read more about Lori and our other Tiny Tot alums including first students Hugh & Augustus Hill, Gary Burnley, and many more on Tiny Tot's website [tinytotalums.com/then-%26-now](https://tinytotalums.com/then-%26-now)

